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Recruit Profile



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Interview and Interrogation

By: Recruit Meyer

This week the Third Police Corps class had the first of its many classes on interviewing and interrogation. The instructor, Sergeant Steve Page, started the class by comparing and contrasting interviewing and interrogation. He then went on to explain the different sources of information that we, as future officers, would be able to use when we find ourselves out on the streets.

Sgt. Page next

went in depth on how to conduct an interview. The instructor stressed how preparing yourself, as an officer, for an interview is key to the interview's success. After discussing how to do an interview, the class was given the opportunity to actually conduct interviews on each other. The scenario was for the class to solve a crime based on what information other classmates gave them in the

interviews. Six students were chosen as subjects and were then interviewed by their classmates.

The class ended this week with Sgt. Page instructing the class on how to identify suspects at a scene of a crime.



Confident and Conditioned

By: Recruit Pusel

This week's team building took place at the Army's conditioning and confidence courses. The recruits were separated into groups, half going on the conditioning course, while the other half went on the confidence course. The toughest obstacle on the conditioning course that the recruits faced was the rope climb. Many recruits had difficulty, however, they did

not give up and defeated the mental and physical challenge. The confidence course tested the recruit's teamwork as well as their mental resolve. Through teamwork, the recruits made it through the confidence course. In addition to the mental and physical challenges the recruits had the company of a Local TV station recording and interviewing them while they worked through the courses. As Mr. Pressler

says, "if it ain't raining it ain't trainin".



SPECIAL SECTION - Our First Month

Photographed By: Recruit Kaufenberg, Recruit Jentzsch, Mr. Sacia



Agency Spotlight

By: Recruit Kraeger

Recruit Kraeger and Recruit Jentzsch are currently sponsored by the Eau Claire Police Department. The City of Eau Claire is located on the west side of the state in Eau Claire



Eau Claire
Police Department

County. The police department serves a population of 61,254. The police department is headed by Chief of Police Dave Malon. The department has 100 sworn officers, 72 in patrol, 17 in the detective division, and 10 administrative positions making it the largest department on the west side

of the state. The City of Eau Claire is also home to two major colleges in the state, the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire and the Chippewa Valley Technical College.

More Firearms Tactics

By: Recruit Staab

The second of three qualifying shoots took place on Thursday, October 1st. All three of these qualifying scores are averaged together to come up with the score for the recruit who receives the firearms award. The next part of the day on Thursday consisted of the 100% accuracy test. This test is a part of the requirement for recruits to graduate from the academy. A 3-inch wide rectangle was drawn on the targets from the eyebrows to the sternum. The recruits then needed to shoot 30 rounds between 6 to 15 feet away from the target and all of these rounds must land in the 3-inch

rectangle in order for them to qualify on the test. The firearms award is coupled with one qualifying score with the shotgun, which took place on Saturday, October 4th. Everyone passed with flying colors and even impressed the instructors a little with the accuracy we all showed.



Overall the firearms experience has given us as a class, great tools to use in our future profession at our agencies.



Above Left: Recruits take part in the 2nd qualification shoot

Above Right: Recruits Schall and Kaufenberg practice with the shotgun

The Picture Says It All:

Photographed By: Recruit Jentzsch

We have really grown as a team through our first four weeks at the Wisconsin Police Corps, and it is starting to really show.



Weekly Training Review...

By: Recruit Scott

Week 4 of the Police Corps began with a Report Writing class. The recruits learned how to accurately describe people and vehicles in order to keep their reports on the right track. Recruits also began instruction in interview and interrogation. Sergeant Page of the Eau Claire Police Department taught the class proper interviewing techniques

and had the class conduct mock interviews with each other.

On Thursday, recruits had their final qualifications for firearms training. They learned how to fire from a variety of positions, including lying down on their back and one-hand, unsupported while moving. The next day the recruits got their first chance to try out the conditioning and confidence obstacle courses, located on the Fort McCoy base. While the courses

were challenging, the recruits worked together as a team to make sure everyone overcame the obstacles.

The week concluded on Saturday with recruits being trained to accurately fire a shotgun. The morning was spent in the classroom teaching the basics of the firearm, while the afternoon was spent on the range. Recruits finished the day by qualifying with the shotgun.